

(11) any other day fixed by proclamation or order of the Government as a public holiday or as a day of thanksgiving.”.

29. Section 43 is renumbered as 41 and is amended in the French text by replacing “accomplir un acte” by “faire une chose” and “cet acte peut être valablement fait” by “cette chose peut être valablement faite”.

30. These Rules come into force on the fifteenth day following the date of their publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 647-2007, 7 August 2007

An Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune
(R.S.Q., c. M-25.2)

Amendment to the Program for the awarding of lands in the domain of the State for the installation of wind turbines

WHEREAS the Government approved the Program for the awarding of lands in the domain of the State for the installation of wind turbines by Order in Council 928-2005 dated 12 October 2005;

WHEREAS the program may apply to lands in the domain of the State that have already been the subject of a delegation of management in favour of municipalities or regional county municipalities under sections 17.13 and following of the Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune (R.S.Q., c. M-25.2);

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Program for the awarding of lands in the domain of the State for the installation of wind turbines to allow the municipalities or regional county municipalities to manage the Program on lands in the domain of the State whose management has been delegated to them;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Program to allow the bidder who has entered into a contract with Hydro-Québec for the purchase of wind energy, following a tender solicitation, to obtain a reserved land area for the carrying out of the wind turbine installation project;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Program to fix the rent for lands in the domain of the State on which wind turbines are to be installed and to determine an annual indexing mechanism;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Program for various technical and consequential considerations;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife:

THAT the Program for the awarding of lands in the domain of the State for the installation of wind turbines, approved by Order in Council 928-2005 dated 12 October 2005, be amended

(1) by striking out the definitions of “legal person” and “market rent” in section 2;

(2) by replacing section 3 by the following:

“3. TERRITORY OF APPLICATION

The Program applies to lands in the domain of the State under the authority of the Minister, including lands whose management is delegated to a regional county municipality or a municipality under a management delegation program for lands in the domain of the State.

A regional county municipality or a municipality that participates in a management delegation program for lands in the domain of the State or that has signed a territory management agreement or a management delegation agreement with the Minister under such a program may be authorized by the Minister to manage the provisions of the wind program on those lands.

A regional county municipality or a municipality thus authorized must apply the terms and conditions of this Program in compliance with the instructions of the Minister, including the analytical framework for the installation of wind turbines on lands in the domain of the State (Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, March 2007), and the orientations stated in the Plan régional de développement du territoire public (PRDTP) – Volet éolien ou à l’analyse territoriale – Volet éolien pour la région concernée.

The terms and conditions in the territory management agreement or the management delegation agreement signed with the Minister that are not inconsistent with those of this Program apply to its management by the regional county municipality or the municipality.”;

(3) by replacing the first paragraph of section 10 by the following:

“The bidder who has signed a contract to purchase wind energy with Hydro-Québec following a tender solicitation must file an application with the Minister to obtain a reserved land area on lands in the domain of the State described in the letter of intent and, where applicable, for other lands in the domain of the State required for the carrying out of the wind turbine installation project.”;

(4) by replacing section 17 by the following:

“17. TERM OF THE LAND RIGHTS AWARDED

The term of the land rights awarded for the installation of wind power facilities may exceed by one year the term of the wind energy purchase contract entered into with Hydro-Québec. The term is calculated as of the first day of the month following the signing.

In the event that the wind energy purchase contract entered into with Hydro-Québec ends before the scheduled term, the land rights awarded will end on the date indicated in a written notice from the Minister.”;

(5) by replacing section 23 by the following:

“23. RENT

The annual rent for the leasing of land in the domain of the State for the installation of a wind turbine is calculated on the basis of the wind energy production capacity based on a rate of \$5,000 per MW.

Despite the first paragraph, the annual rent for the leasing of land in the domain of the State for the installation of a wind turbine subsequent to the first tender solicitation from Hydro-Québec for the purchase of 1,000 MW of wind energy published under the Regulation respecting wind energy and biomass energy made by Order in Council 352-2003 dated 5 March 2003 is \$1,700 for a 1 MW wind turbine, \$2,400 for a 1.5 MW wind turbine, \$2,900 for a 1.8 MW wind turbine, \$3,200 for a 2 MW wind turbine and \$4,000 for a 2.5 MW wind turbine.

The rents and rates are to be adjusted and rounded off to the nearest dollar on 1 April each year based on the percentage change in the Average Consumer Price Index for the preceding year using the index established for the whole of Québec by Statistics Canada.”;

THAT the Program for the awarding of lands in the domain of the State for the installation of wind turbines, approved by Order in Council 928-2005 dated 12 October 2005, be amended accordingly.

GÉRARD BIBEAU,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Gouvernement du Québec

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Individual and Family Assistance Act
(R.S.Q., c. A-13.1.1)

**Individual and family assistance
— Amendment**

Regulation to amend the Individual and Family Assistance Regulation

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Individual and Family Assistance Act (R.S.Q., c. A-13.1.1), the Government made the Individual and Family Assistance Regulation by Order in Council 1073-2006 dated 22 November 2006;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, under sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a draft of the Regulation to amend the Individual and Family Assistance Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 13 June 2007 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS the 45-day period has expired;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Individual and Family Assistance Regulation, attached hereto, be made.

GÉRARD BIBEAU,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif